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**Marilyn Shea-Stonum**

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Case Western 1975 JD  
Began Service: January 2008

**Affiliation:** Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio

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**Number of Judgeships:** 11

**Supreme Court Justice:** Associate Justice John Paul Stevens

**Areas Covered:** Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin

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**Frank H. Easterbrook**

Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1948  
Education: Swarthmore 1970 BA; Chicago 1973 JD  
Began Service: 1985  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Professor, University of Chicago (1979-1985); Senior Lecturer, University of Chicago (1985)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Levin H. Campbell, United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit (1973-1974)

**Government:** Assistant to the Solicitor General, Office of the Solicitor General, United States Department of Justice (1974-1977); Deputy Solicitor General, United States Department of Justice (1978-1979)

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**Richard A. Posner**

Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1939  
Education: Yale 1959 AB; Harvard 1962 LLB  
Began Service: December 4, 1981  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Associate Professor of Law, Stanford University (1968); Professor of Law, University of Chicago (1969-1981); Senior Lecturer, University of Chicago (1981)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable William J. Brennan, Jr., Supreme Court of the United States (1962-1963)

**Corporate:** President, Lexecon, Inc. (1977-1981)

**Government:** Legal Assistant to Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission (1963-1965); Attorney, Office of the Solicitor General, United States Department of Justice (1965-1967); General Counsel, President's Task Force on Communications, Executive Office of the President, Lyndon B. Johnson Administration (1967-1968); Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research (1971-1981)

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**Joel M. Flaum**  
Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1936  
Education: Union Col (NY) 1958 BA; Northwestern 1963 JD, 1964 LLM  
Began Service: June 1, 1983  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Affiliation:** Member, American Judicature Society; Member, American Bar Association

**Academic:** Lecturer, Northwestern University School of Law (1967-1969); Lecturer, College of Law, DePaul University (1987-1988); Adjunct Professor, Northwestern University School of Law (1993-2000)

**Government:** Assistant State's Attorney, Office of the State's Attorney, County of Cook, Illinois (1965-1969); Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Illinois (1969-1970); First Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Illinois (1970-1972); First Assistant U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, United States Department of Justice (1972-1975)

**Judicial:** Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (1975-1983); Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit (2000-2006)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Schimberg, Greenberger, Kraus & Jacobs (1964-1965)

**Military Service:** United States Naval Reserve (1981-1992); Lieutenant Commander Judge, Advocate General's Corps

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Association; The Chicago American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; American Judicature Society; The American Law Institute; The Chicago Bar Association; Chicago Bar Foundation, The Chicago Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; The Seventh Circuit Bar Association, Federal Bar Association; The Seventh Circuit Bar Association, Federal Bar Association; Illinois State Bar Association; Lawyers Club of Chicago; Naval Justice School Foundation; Naval Reserve Maritime Law Association; Navy-Marine Corps Retired Judges Advocates Association

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**Kenneth F. Ripple**

Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1943  
Education: Fordham 1965 AB; Virginia 1968 JD;  
George Washington 1972 LLM  
Began Service: June 10, 1985  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Corporate:** Attorney, International Business Machines Corporation (1968)

**Government:** Legal Officer, Supreme Court of the United States (1972-1973); Legal Assistant, Supreme Court of the United States (1973-1977)

**Military Service:** Commander, United States Naval Reserve, Judge Advocate General's Corps (1968-1972); Office of the Judge Advocate General, Department of the Navy (1969-1972)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; Federal Bar Association; The New York State Bar Association; The Supreme Court Historical Society

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**Michael S. Kanne**

Circuit Judge

Date of Birth: 1938  
Education: Indiana 1962 BS, 1968 JD  
Began Service: May 20, 1987  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan  
Political Affiliation: Republican



**Academic:** Lecturer on Law, St. Joseph's College (1976-1987)

**Government:** City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, City of Rensselaer, Indiana (1972)

**Judicial:** Judge, Indiana Circuit Court, 30th Judicial Circuit (1972-1982); Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana (1982-1987)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Nesbitt & Fisher (1968-1971); Sole Practitioner (1971-1972)

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